

Appendix 1
CAG Member & Guest Attendance List
June 12, 2003

Members

K.W. Maki
Don Wilkins
Sandy Wagner
George Keck
Gordon Sullivan
Rick Flesher
Craig French
Bob Dedrick
George Bauer
Ken Hays
David F. Latham
Wendy Thomi
Jim Christiansen
Gayla Benefield
Gary Swenson
Les Skramstad
Clinton Maynard
Brad Black

Group/Organization Represented

Libby Schools
Lumber & Sawmill Workers
Community Health Center/TAG
Technical Advisory Group (TAG)
TAG
Former W.R. Grace Employee
Montana Department of Environmental Quality
Asbestos Victim
City of Libby
Senior Citizens
The Montanian Newspaper
US EPA
US EPA
Lincoln County Asbestos Victims Relief Organization
Libby Volunteer Fire Department
Asbestos Victim (alternate for Norita Skramstad)
Area Asbestos Research Group
CARD Clinic/County Health Officer

Visitors

Dr. Andrij Holian
Dr. Jean Pfau
Mike Cook

UM Center for Environmental Health Sciences
UM Center for Environmental Health Sciences
Director of the Office of Emergency Response and Remediation

Appendix 2

LIBBY AREA TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GROUP INC.

Statement for release/record at CAG meeting 12 June 2003

Since November 1999, EPA Region 8 has worked diligently to design and develop a comprehensive and cost effective remedial program to address the catastrophic asbestos issues at the Libby operational sites. To make absolutely certain this program meets the goals and objectives of the EPA work plan and ensures the safety of all persons and properties within the designated sites, funding must be as outlined in the budget prepared by the onsite EPA Project Manager, Jim Christiansen. Libby will set the pattern and serve as a model for clean-up programs across the nation. It is paramount that the EPA perform their work in a timely fashion and to the highest of standards, ensuring the health and safety of each citizen and the economic viability of each community.

Appendix 3

Rural Health Outreach Grant to Create an Asbestos Related Disease Care Network Project

Project Summary

What is the overarching Goal of the Grant?

Improve medical and social service care and delivery for ARD patients, and reduce the cost of care to both providers and patients.

How is this Goal to be Achieved?

- Create coordinated system of ARD care: integrated system providing patients with case management, patient education, referrals, some direct services
- Give healthcare providers better information about asbestos patients and their needs
- Create a “hierarchy of payers” (local, state, federal) to reduce incidence of unpaid medical care that could swamp Libby’s providers.

What Will the Grant Pay For?

Year One	Year Two	Year Three
Half-time Project Director	Half-time Project Director	Half-time Project Director
Half-time Case Manager	Half-time Case Manager	Full-time Case Manager
	Second ½ time Case Mgr	Second ½ time Case Mgr
Local travel expenses for community outreach/direct service provision and travel to conference in DC	Local travel expenses & required conference	Local travel expenses & required conference
Laptop computer & database development	Computer & database maintenance	Computer & database maintenance
Printing brochures for patients & postage to send	Printing/mailing updated brochures	Printing/mailing updated brochures
Project Evaluation (process and outcome): \$4,000	Evaluation: \$4,000	Evaluation– to include written final survey and report: \$6,000
Rent (\$465/mo.)	Rent (\$479/mo.)	Rent (\$493/mo.)
Health Education classes (\$4,000)	Health Education classes	Health Education classes
Direct Patient Services: \$50,000	Direct Patient Services: \$60,000	Direct Patient Services: \$70,000
Administration (\$6,369)	Administration (\$7,727)	Administration (\$9,070)

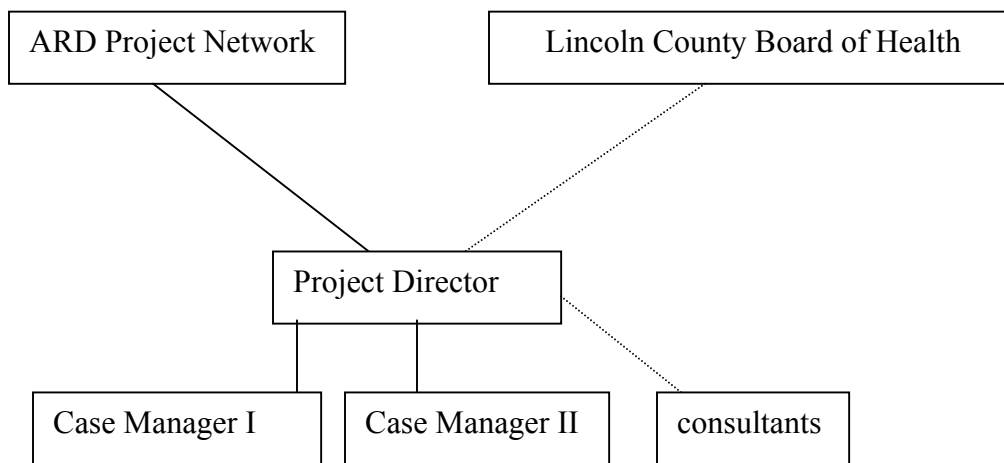
How Will the Project be Managed?

The grant application sets the network itself as the governing body for the project, while the Project Director is the day-to-day manager. While Lincoln County is the fiscal agent for the grant, their decision-making authority over the project is delegated to the Project Director, who is responsible to the Network. Per the application, the network is comprised of the institutions listed below:

Lincoln County Board of Health
Center for Asbestos Related Disease
Libby Clinic
St. John's Lutheran Hospital
Lincoln County Community Health Center
Asbestos Related Health Care Project, Inc.

In addition, the Community Advisory Group can appoint one member, and the Lincoln County Commission can appoint one member each from Libby and from an area outside of Libby. There is nothing in the grant to say that more groups cannot become a part of the network, provided that all network members named in the grant are in agreement on their inclusion. However, it should be noted that the grant review committee expressed concern that the network might become unwieldy even with the current number of network members.

Decisions for the network will be made by consensus, and authority for making project decisions will be delegated to the network representatives of each member group.



It is therefore up to the Network itself to determine:

- what services will be offered and how they will be offered
- the scope of the project, and
- the level of integration and coordination of ARD care by the Network members.

What We Said We Were Going to Do in Year One			
Goals	Strategies	Activities	Milestones
1. Improve coordination of ARD care in County	Create network of ARD service providers	hire project director create electronic web based communications hold regular meetings of partners and affiliates	Project director hired by 7/03 Website to be created by 10/03 First meeting of network in 9/03
2. Improve utilization of services and resources by ARD patients	Create integrated case management for ARD patients	hire case manager to assist patients with applications Create care plans for ARD patients hold community trainings explaining programs and procedures work with state to improve coverage Collaborate with CHC on education and information about means-tested primary care and other services	Case manager hired by 07/03 First community training 8/03 Begin case management services 9/03 Increased enrollment in federal programs by 3/04
3. Meet unmet medical and psycho-social needs of ARD patients	Create a system that will assess and develop resources to help ARD patients	needs assessment of ARD population increase delivery of health education to ARD patients and community coordinate community efforts to serve ARD patients recruit faith and community based organizations to provide non medical services	Second needs assessment done 5/04 First health education class begins 9/03, and quarterly thereafter Database of services/resources for patients and providers developed by 9/1/03 Outreach to volunteer orgs. Beginning 8/03 Development of service directory (both on-line and hard copy) by 10/03 Creation of direct service funding mechanism by November 2003 Begin direct service funding by end of 2003
	Provide funding for direct services when no other funding sources are available	Develop, with project partners, criteria for providing medical and psycho-social services to patients Disburse funds for direct services	
4. Increase community and patient understanding and utilization of program	Outreach to community	media campaign to educate public project staff visits to medical and social service providers throughout county disseminate information on program at provider offices, via the Internet and in the community	Media plan developed by 9/03 Development of brochure by 10/03 Outreach to Troy and northcountry beginning 10/03 Poll of general public in 5/04 Creation of website by 11/03
5. Improved access to care for ARD patients	Improve affordability and availability of medical and related services	coordinate access to low-cost pharmaceuticals increase outreach case management to Troy and Eureka improve referrals to CHC and other subsidized health care services patient advocacy around third party payer systems develop improved transportation to specialist services	Case management in Troy and north Lincoln County beginning 10/03 Transportation plan to be created by 10/03 and initiated by 11/03 Survey ARD patients in 5/04
6. Sustainability	Coordinated funding effort	continue Governor's study group on long-term health care in Libby continue W.R. Grace funding Continue to seek grant funding	Apply for three grants

Timeline for Year One Activities Per RHOG Grant Application

